

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2369 - HB 2489

January 29, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Defines “human trafficking offense” as the commission of any act that constitutes the criminal offense of involuntary labor servitude; trafficking persons for forced labor, services, or sexual servitude; or promoting the prostitution of a minor. Defines “trafficked person” as a victim of a human trafficking offense and creates a new civil cause of action for such victim, or the victim’s surviving spouse, issue, descendants, or estate if the victim is deceased, to recover actual damages, compensatory damages, injunctive relief, punitive damages, or other appropriate relief in addition to attorney’s fees and costs.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Any increase in the caseloads of the state trial courts due to the creation of a new civil cause of action will be minimal. The increase in caseloads can be accommodated within existing judicial resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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